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OCTOBER REVIEW



Washington continued to experience typical October weather. Rain showers throughout the state brought much relief to moisture levels, helped winter wheat seeding progress quickly, and improved crop and rangeland conditions. However, precipitation was still short in many areas. Early seeded winter wheat already emerged was spotty in some areas due to low moisture at seeding. Hop harvest, corn harvest for silage, and potato digging were in full swing while corn harvest for grain just began early in the month. Weather conditions helped many producers complete alfalfa hay third cutting, corn silage, and dry edible bean harvests by the end of the month. Christmas tree growers were busy preparing harvest roads and servicing equipment for tree harvest. Alfalfa hay fourth cutting continued with some damage reported due to rain. Calves were being weaned and shipped for market. Sows were ready for winter litters. Sweet corn, apple, and pumpkin harvests wound down with apple crop sizes smaller that the earlier estimates reported. Snohomish and King Counties experienced apple scab and maggot problems.

FIELD CROP SUMMARY OF NOVEMBER 1, 2005

Crop	Washington Summary							Pacific NW 1/		United States	
	Harvested		T124	Yield		Production		Production		Production	
	2004	Ind. 2005	Unit	2004	Ind. 2005	2004	Ind. 2005	2004	Ind. 2005	2004	Ind. 2005
	Thousand Acres					Thousand		Thousand		Thousand	
All Wheat	2,275	2,225	Bu.	63.1	62.6	143,500	139,300	301,190	293,450	2,158,245	2,098,270
Winter Wheat	1,750	1,800	Bu.	67.0	67.0	117,250	120,600	227,830	234,610	1,499,434	1,493,769
Spring Wheat	525	425	Bu.	50.0	44.0	26,250	18,700	73,360	57,080	568,918	504,456
Barley	245	205	Bu.	70.0	61.0	17,150	12,505	81,768	66,730	279,743	212,196
Oats	7	8	Bu.	88.0	75.0	616	600	3,996	3,284	115,695	115,002
Corn for Grain 2/*	105	85	Bu.	200.0	205.0	21,000	17,425	-	-	11,807,217	11,032,105
Hops	19.38	20.81	Lbs.	2,137	2,100	41,427	43,695	55,203.9	57,718.5	55,203.9	57,718.5
Sugarbeets *	3.8	1.7	Tons	37.9	38.8	144	66	6,050	5,045	29,956	27,254
All Hay	790	770	Tons	4.29	4.52	3,392	3,481	12,366	12,223	157,774	152,871
Alfalfa Hay	480	470	Tons	5.00	5.30	2,400	2,491	9,184	9,073	75,383	75,940
Other Hay	310	300	Tons	3.20	3.30	992	990	3,182	3,150	82,391	76,931
Dry Edible Beans 4/5/	29.0	48.0	Cwt.	21.0	18.0	609	864	2,363	2,884	17,799	26,109
Dry Edible Peas 3/*	87	78	Cwt.	24.0	17.0	2,088	1,326	3,227	2,022	11,419	13,813
Lentils 2/*	93	84	Cwt.	12.0	9.0	1,116	756	-	-	4,182	5,101
Potatoes, Fall *	159	154	Cwt.	590.0	620.0	93,810	95,480	245,555	234,107	456,041	421,326

- * Revised.
- 1/ Includes, Oregon, Idaho, and Washington.
- 2/ Pacific Northwest totals not available.
- 3/ Excludes both wrinkled seed peas and Austrian winter peas.
- 4/ Excludes beans grown for garden seed. Yield and production forecast on a cleaned basis.
- 5/ Estimates for the Pacific Northwest current year carried forward from earlier forecast.

PRICES
AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS FOR FARM PRODUCTS (DOLLAR/UNIT)

Commodity	Unit	Entire Month		Preliminary	Entire Month		Preliminary	U.S. Parity
Commodity		Oct. 2004	Sep. 2005	Oct. 2005	Oct. 2004	Sep. 2005	Oct. 2005	Price
			Washingto	n		United Sta	tes	
Wheat, All	Bu.	3.63	3.36	3.63	3.43	3.35	3.54	10.60
Winter Wheat	Bu.	3.59	3.21	3.40	3.34	3.28	3.42	-
Other Spring Wheat	Bu.	3.79	3.72	4.16	3.50	3.50	3.79	-
Barley	Bu.	2.16	2.16	2.33	2.29	2.36	2.43	7.17
Corn	Bu.	-	-	-	2.14	1.90	1.74	7.08
Oats	Bu.	-	-	-	1.45	1.54	1.46	4.21
Lentils	Cwt.	-	-	-	15.30	11.50	12.10	-
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt.	-	-	-	24.50	18.00	17.00	53.70
Dry Edible Peas	Cwt.	-	-	-	6.20	4.65	4.33	-
Chickpeas, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	24.20	26.50	29.10	-
Potatoes, All	Cwt.	4.25	5.05	4.65	4.70	6.16	5.62	15.90
Potatoes, Processing	Cwt.	4.10	4.30	-	4.50	4.66	-	-
Hay, All (baled) 1/	Tons	120.00	112.00	116.00	92.80	99.00	97.70	-
Alfalfa (baled) 1/	Tons	120.00	110.00	115.00	100.00	107.00	106.00	-
Other Hay (baled) 1/	Tons	120.00	120.00	120.00	73.80	74.60	76.50	-
Hops	Lbs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.78
Apples, Fresh 2/	Lbs.	0.282	0.285	0.289	0.261	0.288	0.286	0.556
Cattle, All Beef	Cwt.	-	-	-	86.50	88.20	90.80	184.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	-	-	-	91.10	92.30	96.00	-
Calves	Cwt.	-	-	-	126.00	133.00	132.00	249.00
Milk Cows 3/	Head	1,800.00	-	1,900.00	1,640.00	-	1,870.00	-
Broilers, Live 4/	Lbs.	-	-	-	0.390	0.460	0.430	-
Eggs, Market 1/	Doz.	0.360	0.510	0.360	0.306	0.465	0.314	1.79
Milk, All Wholesale 5/	Cwt.	15.50	15.20	15.50	15.60	15.30	15.40	37.50
Hogs, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	52.20	49.50	48.80	114.00
Sheep	Cwt.	-	-	-	40.40	43.30	-	89.80
Lambs	Cwt.				97.70	110.00	-	223.00

^{1/} All prices are mid-month estimates.

^{2/} Equivalent packinghouse door returns for apples for CA, NY, and WA, and price as sold for other states.

^{3/} Dairy cows sold for dairy herd replacement. Prices estimated quarterly.

^{4/} Liveweight equivalent price.

^{5/} Before deductions for hauling but includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.